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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT
AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed 5 July 2002, the Examiner has stated that the amendment filed on June 5, 2002 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121, and that a marked-up version of the replacement paragraph(s)/section(s) is required. As requested, please find enclosed a clean and marked-up copy of changes made to the specification.

If the Receiving Office should have any questions concerning this matter, please contact the undersigned at (732) 524-2681.

Respectfully submitted,

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